

SENATE BILL 857  
By Harper

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-7-116, relative to procedures at the polling place.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-7-116(c), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(c)

(1) A voter, who is physically disabled, visibly pregnant, or age sixty-five (65) years or older, may request the officer of elections at the polling place for permission to be moved to the front of any line. In accordance with policies and procedures promulgated by the state coordinator of elections and at the discretion of the officer of elections, the requesting voter may be moved to the front of any line at the polling place.

(2) A temporary sign, restating the language of subdivision (1), shall be prominently and strategically posted at the polling place whenever voting is underway at the polling place.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.